



FCA News

FOR MEMBERS OF THE FINNISH CENTER ASSOCIATION

December 2009

THE FCA NEEDS YOUR HELP IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

A newsletter layout person is needed. Must be available on or about the 5th of each month. The skills needed are:

- Well versed in the use of a computer
- Be familiar with Microsoft's Publisher.
- Able to convert e-mail text to Word documents.
- Able to scan (OCR) and convert printed documents.

Also an editor is needed.

HELP - HELP - HELP

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CHAIRMAN'S CORNER

I would like to share with you the financial dilemma the FCA faces.

Our total income for 2008 was \$191,750.00 and our expenses were \$301,458.00. At the end of 2008 our total liquid assets (checking and savings accounts) totaled \$113,746.00.

In order to reduce expenses the Board determined that we should attempt to fill the Manager's position and the Receptionist's position with volunteers. A reduction in annual expenses of \$38,000.00.

Through September of 2009 our total income was \$141,778.00 and our expenses were \$196,182.00. Our total liquid assets at the end of September were \$59,342.00.

It appears we have narrowed the gap between income and expense, but obviously we have a way to still go. What do we do in order to have income exceed expenses? It is very difficult to reduce our fixed costs anymore than we already have unless we secure 501C3 classification and secure tax exemption by so doing. A savings of approximately \$27,000.00. We will continue to try and reduce our fixed costs but it appears that our energies should be directed toward securing additional rentals, profitable in-house events, and bequests. The Board will be addressing these issues, any help you can give is appreciated.

Norb Leppanen

CALENDAR

WEEKLY EVENTS

Finnish American Singers

Mondays 7 to 9 pm

Library

Open Mondays 9 to 2 pm

NikkarinTalo

Mondays 9 am

Finlandia Garden Club

Mondays 9:00 am

MONTHLY EVENTS

Gift Shop—Meeting

2nd Monday 1:00 pm

Stamp Club

Last Sunday of month 2-4 pm

Weavers

2nd Saturday of the month 10-2 pm

Card and Game Party

1st Wednesday 11-4 pm

Finnish Conversation

2nd Friday of the month 10 am

Book Club

Day of Fish Fry 3:30pm

NOVEMBER

- 18 101st luncheon 11:00 am
Veterans Day luncheon
20 Fish Fry 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
22 FCA General Meeting 2:00 pm
25 Senior Luncheon 11 am
Veteran's Day Celebration
26 CLOSED - Thanksgiving Day 27
27 CLOSED
28 CLOSED
29 Open House 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

DECEMBER

- 4 Rental SK Events
5 Finnish Independence Day Gala
Ball 6:30 pm
9 Danish Bros. dinner 6:30 pm
10 Board meeting 6:30 pm
11 FCA Christmas Potluck 3:00 pm
Rental—Life Line Screening
12 Swedish Club Lucia 2:00 pm-
6:00 pm
13 FASM Concert 3:00 pm
15 Senior Danes 12 noon
16 101st luncheon 11:00 am
19 Nordic Fellows
Rental - wedding 6:00 pm
20 FCA Children's Christmas Party
2:00 - 4:00 pm
24 CLOSED - Christmas Eve

- 25 CLOSED - Christmas Day
26 CLOSED
27 CLOSED
31 New Year's Eve Party 5:00 pm -
8:00 pm

Christmas And New Years Greeting

Paul Adams
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NEW TELEPHONE SYSTEM

Our existing telephone system has some inadequacies that the Board would like to correct.

1. It does not have cordless receiver capability. This makes it very inconvenient for the volunteers manning the office.
2. With our existing system we cannot transfer a call to our caterers without asking a client to call the number themselves. We believe they sometimes do not make that call thus losing a rental.
3. Our staff of volunteers need training on our telephone system. There is a charge to do this whereas training is provided in the price of the new system.
4. The existing system is out of warranty.

The Board has investigated various suppliers and alternatives and recommend that we proceed with a new system from "Telephone Support Systems Inc." at a cost of \$2,915.00. However, because of our existing financial situation the Board is suggesting that we ask members to donate to this project rather than pay for it from our existing funds. If you wish to donate indicate on your check that it is for the "telephone fund."

Norb Leppanen

GARDEN CLUB

Garden Club News

November was a memorable month for the garden club. Several members made the trip early in the month to receive the prestigious President's Award for Community Gardens given to the Finnish Center by the statewide, "Keep Michigan Beautiful" corporation.

In addition, Finlandia Gardens of the Finnish Center Association, has won two awards from the Farmington Hills Beautification Commission. The Beautification Award was given to the community group for their further development of outstanding gardens since last year, this with minimal funding and an all volunteer garden crew. The second award, a first this year for the Commission, Partners in Beautification Volunteerism Award, was given to the all volunteer group for their tremendous service and work in the gardens.

A large number of trees and shrubs were planted along the perimeter of the property in the West gardens although our tree fund did not produce the number of responses we had anticipated. Anyone wishing to help the Garden Club, however, have another opportunity as we have established a fund for an electric garden cart. Our garden member volunteers are finding it more difficult to negotiate the 6 acres to move bricks, tools, mulch, and such to various sites. We have received approval from the Board for a garden cart, now we just need the funding. So any financial support members can provide is appreciated.

Meetings and workdays will continue through the winter on Monday mornings at 9am. For questions or comments please contact Gayle Gullen at gaylegullen@hotmail.com or 734-546-5190.

Regards,

Gayle Gullen
Garden Club Chairperson



Garden club members accept award from City of Farmington Hills.

FINLAND TODAY

First, the annual Legatum Prosperity Index report has arrived. The report ranks 104 countries, based on a definition of prosperity that combines economic growth together with measures of happiness and quality of life.

The nine foundations of prosperity that the index is based on are: Economic Fundamentals, Entrepreneurship and Innovation, Education, Democratic Institutions, Government, Health, Personal Freedom, and Security.

The index is produced and supervised by the Legatum Institute in England.

According to the Legatum Prosperity Index, the most prosperous country in the world is...FINLAND. Finland was followed by Switzerland, Sweden, Denmark, and Norway.

Another report, the 2009 Global Gender Gap Report, is out. The report assesses 134 countries on how well they are dividing their resources and opportunities among their male and female populations, regardless of the overall levels of their resources and opportunities.

The Nordic countries continued their dominance of the top spots; with Iceland in first, Finland second, Norway third, and Sweden fourth. The U.S. ranked 31st.

The world's largest cruise ship, The Oasis of the Seas, is on its maiden voyage from the shipyard in Turku, Finland to Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

The ship, built for the Royal Caribbean International, is 1200 feet long, 217 feet wide, weighing 220,000 tons, 20 stories high with 16 decks, can accommodate 6,300 passengers with a crew of 2,100.

Next year, Oasis of the Seas, will be joined by an identical sister ship, Allure of the Seas, currently being built in Finland.

The beginning of November brought the largest lottery winning ever in Finnish history. Two winners split the \$10.14 million prize. About 23 million tickets were bought, with about 4.6 million tickets sold on-line.

At the recent book convention held in Helsinki, the

"funniest" word in the Finnish language was selected. Receiving the most votes was "lampimampi". The "a" 's have the two dots over them. Also receiving lot of votes and also one of the hardest words for foreigners to pronounce is "holkynkolkyn", with the two dots over the "o" 's.

Finland's oldest company, Fiskars, is celebrating its 360th anniversary. In 1649, with permission from Queen Kristina of Sweden, Hollander Peter Thorswoste founded a metal fabricating shop on the banks of the Fiskars river in southern Finland.

Among the many products that Fiskars has produced are plows, over a million sold, and those orange handled scissors, over a billion sold. Currently Fiskars has many brand names, including Iittala, Arabia, and Hackman.

Last year, Fiskars sales were over \$1.025 billion.

And finally, a writer was visiting churches around the country looking for material for a book he was writing. One of the things he noticed was a golden phone in some of the churches, with a note that said: "\$10,000/minute". Curious, he finally asked a minister about the golden phone. "It's a direct line to heaven, a person can talk directly to God", said the minister.

The writer finally arrives in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. While in the U.P. he also notices the golden phone in churches, but with a sign that said "\$.25/minute".

Again curious, the writer asks Pastor Kempainen: "I've seen those golden phones in various churches across the country and the going phone rate has been about \$10,000 a minute, and here it is only a 25 cents a minute, how is that possible?"

Pastor Kempainen: "Remember, you are in the Upper Peninsula, here it is a local call."

Markku Ketola, marketola@yahoo.com

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FINNISH AMERICAN SINGERS

Notes from the Singers for December

Colder weather is soon approaching. The Finnish American Singers have been busy practicing for their Annual Holiday Concert since September. The Concert will feature both English and Finnish songs. Do You Hear What I Hear, Mistletoe and Rukous Jouluna are a few of the selections.

The Concert will be on Sunday, December 13th at 3 PM. What a wonderful way to celebrate the Holidays with Family and Friends. As usual, a delicious Coffee Social will follow the Concert. There will also be a Bake Sale featuring many Homemade Goodies.

As a Fund Raiser, beautiful Holiday Wreaths are being sold. If you are interested in purchasing one, contact any of the FASM SINGERS.

Hope to see you at our Concert.

Gerald Malstrom, Co-Publicity

SAVE THE DATE

The Gala Ball

A Celebration of the
 92nd year of Finnish Independence

Dec 5, 2009

Speaker: Professor Arnold Alanen
 Finlandia Foundation lecturer of the Year

Music: Paul Finkbeiner's band.

See page 11 of the newsletter for a more information.

MEMORIAL FUND

When making a memorial donation, you may direct it toward a specific fund.

The funds available are: FCA General Fund, Library, Scholarship, Hoijakat Folk Dancers, Drama Club, Finn Weavers, Garden Club, Soittoniekat Folk Musicians and Finnish American Singers.

If a donation is undesignated, it goes to the general fund for expenses of the Center.

The family of the deceased may direct undesignated donations toward a specific fund (up to one year after date of death).

Please make your check out to the Finnish Center Association and send donations to: the FCA, 35200 West Eight Mile Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48335. Deadline is the last day of every month.

You may also direct your donation toward the Elders' Housing but then your check must be made out to FCA Senior Housing Corp.

Please include full name (with middle initial), address, dates of death and birth of the deceased; also the name and address of the next of kin to whom the acknowledgement card is to be mailed.

If you know of a member, parent or child of a member who has passed away, **please call the FCA at (248) 478-6939.**

NOTE: Effective immediately, all memorial donations MUST BE MAILED TO THE FINNISH CENTER by the last day of the month.

Donations to the Memorial Fund since the August newsletter are as follows:

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In memory of FCA life member Kenneth "Ken" Hawkinson (7-27-09) donations have been made by Milda & Ralph Mattila, Pearl & Ray Wanttaja, Betty & Leonard Holmbo.

In memory of FCA member William "Bill" Seaman (8-27-09) donations have been made by Charlotte Lytikainen, Pearl & Ray Wanttaja, Betty & Leonard Holmbo.

In memory of FCA life member Earl Mattila (8-29-09) donations have been made by his brother Ralph & Milda Mattila, Betty & Leonard Holmbo.

In memory of FCA life member Irene Mayry Koponen (12-18-08) donations have been made by Milda & Ralph Mattila.

In memory of FCA life member Dante Balagna (8-9-09) a donation has been made by Connie Fosness.

In memory of FCA life member Helen Kaino Lampi (5-4-09) a donation has been made by Milda & Ralph Mattila.

In memory of Lorraine Hendrickson Wheeler (9-24-09) of Chicago, donations have been made by Harry Niemi and Pearl & Ray Wanttaja. Lorraine was the sister of member Paul Hendrickson.

In memory of Norman Holappa (10-8-09) of Baraga, donations have been made by Harry Niemi and Pearl & Ray Wanttaja.

In memory of Ruth Suojanen Mantta (10-9-09) of Tapiola, donations have been made by Harry Niemi and Pearl & Ray Wanttaja.

The FCA has made donations in memory of life member Ero "Bill" Kultala (10-16-09), in memory of member Casper Harbin (10-7-09) and in memory of Teofilja Dombrowski (9-25-09), mother of member Helena Hendrickson.

In memory of Alfred Hakala (11/25/2004) a donation was made by Viona E. Hakala

In memory of Helen Lampi (5/4/2009) a donation was made by David & Deanna Lampi

In memory of Vera Oja (9/20/2002) a donation was made by Linda Oja Jacobs

GOING PLACES

TRIP NOTES

Please be sure to get your deposits in! We need 30 to 36 deposits at least 30 days prior to the trip or we lose the bus. If you leave your car at the FCA while on a trip, please park at the north end of the property. If you park near the main or lounge entrances you are using spaces needed for other functions.

FOR BORDER CROSSING: The new requirements for proof of citizenship to cross the border to Canada are:

1. PASSPORT - Must be a valid passport.
2. PASSPORTCARD or the new PASSPORT DRIVERS LICENSE.
3. CERTIFICATE OF NATURALIZATION accompanied by a valid passport and valid US. Re-Entry Permit.

Frankenmuth & Color Tour - 1 day, Tuesday, October 20, \$55. Trip includes a city tour of Frankenmuth, lunch at Bavarian Inn, Pretzel dipping and shopping at Bronners. If Mother Nature cooperates the fall colors should be beautiful!! Be at FCA 8:30 am for 8:45 departure. Return about 5:00 pm.

Firekeepers Casino in Battle Creek - 1 day, Thursday, November 12, \$32. This is also a brand new casino. Included is \$20 slot credit and \$5 for food, slot play or gift shop. Be at FCA 8:45 for 9:00 am departure. Return about 4:45 pm. Coupon on flyer must be included with payment.

Turkeyville Dinner Theater - 1 day, Friday, December 4, \$69. Includes the funny musical "Grandma Cancels Christmas?" and Marjorie Cornwell's wonderful turkey buffet. Be at FCA 9:15 for 9:30 departure. Return about 6:30 pm.

"Boeing-Boeing" at Meadow Brook Theatre - 1 day, Wednesday, January 27, \$72.

This is a comedy about a Parisian Lothario that has three fiancées who are stewardesses on different airlines. This play received the 2008 Tony Award for Best Revival of a Play. Lunch will be at Kruse & Muer followed by the play at 2:00 pm.

Please call if you have questions. Pearl Wanttaja 248-541-0054

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE ACTIONS

At the Scholarship Committee's November meeting, members planned for the 2010-2011 school year scholarship awards. The scholarship application is being revised, and will be available in early January, both in the FCA office and through the FCA's website homepage. Applications will be due in the FCA office on March 31, and the reception for award winners will take place in early May.

New this year in the award selection criteria is that scholarships will be presented to students who have participated in Finnish cultural heritage and language activities, and to students who plan to study in Finland or to attend the Salolampi Finnish summer camp program in language or music.

A major fund-raiser for scholarships will begin in February, so watch the FCA News and your mailbox for fundraising information. Students will have a new opportunity to earn scholarship money from the American Red Cross by signing up donors for a blood drive to be held at the Finnish Center.

We are seeking new members for our committee. Would you like to join us? If so, please contact me by e-mail at lihartung@comcast.net or by phone at 248.650.2976.

Louise Hartung, Scholarship Committee Chair

FROM THE FCA LIBRARY

We have added the following books to our library:

PORVOON TUOMIOKIRKKO JA PIKKUKIRKKO by Göran Selen. Even if you don't read Finnish, the pictures are worth looking at. This is where the peace treaty was signed when Russia took over Finland in 1809 and Finland was granted some freedoms it had never had before. 947.1 Se

THE FINNISH PARLIAMENT edited by the Parliamentary Office. Very informative if this interests you. 328 Fi

ICE MOON a novel by Jan Costen Wagner, translated from the German into English by John Brownjohn, but set in Finland. The story revolves around Detective Kimmo Joentaa, who is working on a murder mystery case which seems to involve a serial killer. The author's wife is from Finland. F Wa

YHESÄ NYTYSSÄ by Erkki Tontta. Finnish proverbs (mostly in dialect), each with illustration. Funny! 398.9

FINNS IN MICHIGAN by Gary Kaunonen. Somewhat biased toward the laboring classes. To get a balanced picture, read it along with Dr. Holmio's **HISTORY OF THE FINNS IN MICHIGAN**. 977.4 Ka

CHURCHILL'S WAR: THE STRUGGLE FOR POWER by David Irving. Mention of Finland is included. B Ch

TUNTEMATON SOTILAS, a DVD based on the novel by Väinö Linna. DVD F Li

LIVING ON SISU by Deborah K. Frontiera. The main character in this novel is 12-year-old Emma Niemi in Calumet during the 1913 copper miners' strike. Written especially for youth, but it will hold an adult's attention as well. Highly recommended. F Fr

THE RUSSO-GERMAN WAR 1941-45 by Albert Seaton. Mention of the Finnish army is included. For history buffs. 943 Se

FINN HERITAGE: THE SECOND 10 ISSUES by Reino Hannula. In case you missed reading the originals in his serial publication, they're available here. Many interesting articles included. 325 Ha

COPPER COUNTRY CHRONICLER: THE BEST OF J.W. NARA by Deborah K. Frontiera. Nara took hundreds of photographs in the early part of the 20th century, including many during the strike of 1913. His photos can be seen in almost any historical collection in the U.P., some marked with his name, many not. Frontiera has assembled here what she and Nara's grandson consider "the best of his work so that when people see these photos elsewhere, they will know that the original photographer was J.W. Nara. 917.74 Fr

DESIGN IN AMERICA: THE CRANBROOK VISION 1925-1950 by Robert Judson Clark and others. The works of Eliel, Eero and Loja Saarinen as well as Carl Milles are featured. Profusely illustrated. 709.774 Cl

FORTY YEARS ON: A HISTORY OF CRANBROOK SCHOOL by Bruce N. Coulter. We Finns don't know enough about Cranbrook and its founders. We should! 373 Co

JEAN SIBELIUS, a DVD produced by Christopher Nupen, a 2006 production. Part one covers "The Early Years"; Part two covers "Maturity and Silence". Includes selections from several of his compositions. DVD B Si

LAKE SUPERIOR: STORY AND SPIRIT by artists John and Ann Mahan, who obviously love Lake Superior and its surrounding area. This beautiful book is worthy of your perusal. The color photography is awesome. 917.74 Ma

Some of the above books were purchased new; others were donated, many anonymously. We thank all of our donors.

We have some Finnish books left over from our Flea Market sale which are available on a first come, first served basis. These are books we can no longer use in the library, duplicates, etc. A donation would be appreciated, but not necessary. Don't be bashful! We don't have room for them, and would like to see them find a good home! Come and take a look during the hours the library is open: Mondays from 9 - 2.

Have a blessed Christmas!

Lillian Lehto, Librarian

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GIFT SHOP

New items are: Thimbleberry Jam & Jelly
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November 14th
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This includes food and new items.
This is a one day sale.
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Great gifts!

GIFT SHOP HOURS:

10 am - 4 pm Mondays, Wednesday, & Friday
10 am - 2 pm Saturdays

**Refer to the calendar for additional dates
& times.**

WE NEED YOU!

Volunteers skilled in electrical, carpentry, and painting are needed to help maintain the Finnish Center.

Contact:

Frank Gottberg or
Paul Rajala from the buildings and
ground committee.

SOCIALLY SPEAKING

COME TO OUR CHRISTMAS POTLUCK!

Friday, Dec. 11 at 3:00 p.m. is the date and time. Now, all that we need is YOU MEMBERS & GUESTS for this good meal and some pleasant socializing at Christmas. Maria Hill and Pearl Wanttaja thought of this already last year, and are hoping that we get a fine turn-out. Bring a favorite dish to pass. The room will be decorated for Christmas. We will have a brief program and sing some carols together. Watch for the sign-up page in the lobby and sign it so we'll know how many to plan for.

Our OCT. FINNISH BREAKFAST was very well attended thanks to George Koskimaki's postcards to members, plus the many members from Bethlehem church in attendance. Special thanks to our bakers: Lillian Heikkinen, Dagnie Carlson, Norm McCue, Char Lytikainen, Ruth Kaarlela, Edith Raski, Lorraine Hannah, Betty Taipulus, Virginia (Neil Manley's cousin), and Ilene Yanke.

We appreciate the usual brunch workers who came to help after Pearl Wanttaja called them. Much appreciation to Neil Manley and Roger Wanttaja for washing all of those dishes!

WOMEN'S CLUB BAKERS

The bakers listed above not only made Pulla/Nisu Cinnamon Rolls and Rice-filled Piirakka, but 17 pies from wild blueberries picked in the U.P. by George Koskimaki! They were frozen, ready to bake later for the Scandinavian Bazaar. Many, many thanks, George.

At the Oct. baking we saw Char Lytikainen, Nina Ranta, Clarabeth Dixon, Ruth Kaarlela, Edith Raski, Christine Jurgensen, and Ilene Yanke again making Pulla/Nisu. It was primarily for the Nov. Scandinavian Bazaar. Char suggested we let the loaves rise using the method of the women who bake at Bethlehem Church. It definitely made a superior product, and we'll continue to use it.

We'll not bake in Dec., but will resume on Wed., Jan. 27. You may call in your orders for that date.

Kiitos, Ilene Maki Yanke, Social & Baking

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